

# The Lapis Press

## **Rinko Kawauchi**

Born in 1972, Shiga, Japan

1993 Graduated Seian University of Art and Design (ex Seian Women's College)

### Solo Exhibitions:

2024 – 2025

At the Edge of the Everyday World, Arnolfini, Bristol

2024

A faraway shining star, twinkling in hand, Fotografiska Tallin, Estonia

A faraway shining star, twinkling in hand, Fotografiska Stockholm, Stockholm, Sweden

2023

Rinko Kawauchi: M/E -On this sphere Endlessly interlinking, Shiga Museum of Art, Shiga, Japan

2022 – 2023

Rinko Kawauchi – A Retrospective, Christophe Guye Galerie, Zurich, Switzerland

2022

Rinko Kawauchi: M/E -On this sphere Endlessly interlinking, Tokyo Opera City Art Gallery, Tokyo, Japan

“Making Daidai Shoten” Book release exhibition, Daidai Book Shop

“Making Daidai Shoten” Book release exhibition, Rainy Day Bookstore and Café

Rinko Kawauchi and Yamanami Kobo, umi no schole

2021

under the same sky, MA2 Gallery, Tokyo, Japan

as it is, gallery tax, Yamanashi

A DROP, TEATON/PHAETON, Kanazawa, Japan

M/E, Nihombashi Mitsukoshi Main Store Main Building 6F Contemporary Gallery

2020

as it is, RAURAUJI Gallery

as it is, POST, Tokyo

2019

Days about Atelier Yamanami, HOTEL ANTEROOM KYOTO (GALLERY 9.5), Kyoto / Gallery TUTUMU, Shiga, Japan

When I was seven., agnès b. galerie boutique, Tokyo, Japan

2018

Someday for Sure, Gallery TUTUMU, Shiga, Japan

A New Day, POST, Tokyo / Orange, Kumamoto, Japan

Halo, foto-forum, Italy

2017

Halo, POST, Tokyo / Morioka Shoten, Tokyo

Halo, Christophe Guye Galerie, Zurich, Switzerland

2016

The river embraced me, Meessen De Clercq, Bruxelles, Belgium

The rain of blessing, Gallery 916, Tokyo, Japan

Rinko Kawauchi: The river embraced me, Contemporary Museum, Kumamoto, Japan

Someday for sure, Orange, Kumamoto / gallery trax, Yamanashi, Japan

Till The Day, NOMA t.d. store, Tokyo, Japan

2015

Let's sing a song our bodies know, GUCCI Shinjuku 3F, Tokyo, Japan    Illuminance,  
Kunst Haus Wien, Vienna, Austria

2014

Light and Shadow, Colissimo, Hyogo

Ametsuchi, Main Gallery Lesley University College of Art and Design, Cambridge, USA

New Pictures 9, Minneapolis Institute of Arts, Minneapolis, USA

2013

Ametsuchi, Galerie Priska Parquer, Cologne

Light and Shadow, KAGIYA Building 4F Gallery, Hamamatsu Ametsuchi, Aperture Gallery, New York

Light and Shadow, msc Gallery, Doshisha Women's College of Liberal Arts, Kyoto, Japan

Ametsuchi, Rose Gallery, Santa Monica, USA

Illuminance, Christophe Guye Galerie, Zurich, Switzerland

2012

Illuminance, Ametsuchi, Seeing Shadow, Tokyo Metropolitan Museum of Photography, Tokyo, Japan

Light and Shadow, TRAUMARIS, Tokyo, Japan

2011

A Glimmer in Silence, FO.KU.S Kunst Stadtforum, Innsbruck, Austria

Illuminance, FOIL GALLERY, Tokyo, Japan Illuminance,

Gallery at Hermès, New York, USA murmuration, Rose

Gallery, Los Angels, USA

2010

the eyes, the ears, Kunstverein Augsburg e.V., Augsburg, Germany

A Glimmer in Silence, Galeria Priska Pasquer, Cologne, Germany

AILA, Seian University of Art and Design, Shiga, Japan

Iridescence, Meessen De Clercq, Brussels, Belgium

Rinko Kawauchi: Transient Wonders, Everyday Bliss – Photography, Video and Slides, ARGOS Centre for Art and Media, Brussels, Belgium

2009

Condensation, Mountain Fold Gallery, New York, USA a pause,  
GALLERY TRAX, Yamanashi, Japan

2008

Rinko Kawauchi, Antoine de Vilmorin, Paris, France  
Cui Cui, The Vangi Sculpture Garden Museum, Shizuoka, Japan  
Semear, FOIL GALLERY, Tokyo, Japan  
UTATANE, Galeria Pepe Cobo, Madrid, Spain

2007

Cohan and Leslie, New York, USA  
Semear, Museu de Arte Moderna de São Paulo, São Paulo, Brazil  
AILA + the eyes, the ears, Fotografins Hus, Stockholm, Sweden  
AILA + the eyes, the ears, Hasselblad Centre, Gothenburg, Sweden

2006

AILA + the eyes, the ears, FOTOGRAFISK CENTER, Copenhagen, Denmark  
Galerie Priska Pasquer, Cologne, Germany  
AILA + the eyes, the ears, Galeria Carla Sozzani, Milan, Italy  
Rinko Kawauchi, The Photographers' Gallery, London, England

2005

AILA + Cui Cui + the eyes, the ears, Foundation Cartier pour l'art Contemporain, Paris, France  
AILA, Kanaz Forest of Creation, Fukui, Japan  
AILA, Cohan and Leslie, New York, USA Cui  
Cui, QUATRE Florence, Italy

2004

AILA, California Museum of Photography, UC Riverside, USA  
UTATANE, Cohan and Leslie, New York, USA  
AILA, Little More Gallery, Tokyo, Japan

2003

HANABI, white cube, Kyoto, Japan  
HANABI, Little More Gallery, Tokyo, Japan  
Blue, Rocket Gallery, Tokyo, Japan  
Rinko Kawauchi, 4F Gallery, Los Angeles, USA  
Wacall photo exhibition, SPIRAL GARDEN, Tokyo, Japan UTATANE, vonrot gallery, Berlin,  
Germany

2002

HANABI, Little More Gallery, Tokyo, Japan UTATANE,  
Colette, Paris, France

2001

UTATANE, Parco Gallery, Tokyo, Japan

HANABI, Gray, Tokyo, Japan

HANAKO, Little More Gallery, Tokyo, Japan HIBI,  
Aki-Ex Gallery, Tokyo, Japan

2000

HITOIKI, Light Works, Kanagawa, Japan

1998

UTATANE, Guardian Garden, Tokyo, Japan

Group Exhibitions:

2022 - 2023

Wabi Sabi, Japanmuseum SieboldHuis

2022

Homo Faber 2022, The Ateliers of Wonder, Foundation Giorgio Cini, isola di San Giorgio

2020

The Sense of Wonder into another garden, Vangi Sculpture Garden Museum

Timeless Conversations 2020: Voices from Japanese Art of the Past and Present, The National Art Center,  
Tokyo

Lianzhou Foto Festival 15th Edition

2019

CAMK Collection Exhibition, Contemporary Art Museum, Kumamoto, Japan

Miffy's Field of Flowers: The World of Dick Bruna Picture Books, Vangi Sculpture Garden Museum,  
Shizuoka TOP Collection, Japan

Reading Images: The Time of Photography, TOP MUSEUM, Tokyo, Japan Lianzhou  
Foto Festival 15th Edition, China

2018

Forever (and again), IZU PHOTO MUSEUM, Shizuoka, Japan

A Matter of Light, PALAZZO REALE, Mailand, Italy

Asama International Photo Festival, Nagano, Japan

A Beautiful Moment, Huis Marseille, Amsterda, Netherlande

25th Anniversary in Gallery Trax vol.I, gallery trax, Yamanashi, Japan

Incognito: The Eye in Search, The 6th SIPF 2018 Festival, Singapore

TAYLOR WESSING PHOTOGRAPHIC PORTRAIT PRIZE 2018, National Portrait Gallery, Londo, England

2017

Prix Pictet, V&A Museum, London / CAMERA, Torino Seize the Uncertain Day, Chinretsukan Gallery (The  
University Museum, Tokyo University of the Arts), Tokyo, Japan

Somewhere I Have Never Travelled, URANO, Tokyo, Japan

Japanorama. A new vision on art since 1970 Centre Pompidou-Metz, France

2016

Japanese Photography from Postwar to Now, San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, USA  
Genius loci – The Higashikawa Awards –, Towada Art Center, Aomori, Japan

2015

In the Wake Japanese Photographers Respond to 3/11, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, USA  
The Younger Generation: Contemporary Japanese Photography, Getty Center, Los Angeles, USA

2014

INAUGURAL EXHIBITION, SHERRICK & PAUL BIWAKO, Bienna Shiga, Paraty en Foco en festa, Paraty, Brazil  
Rinko Kawauchi x NOMA, t.d. gallery trax, Yamanashi / TRAUMARIS, Tokyo / rizm, Hyogo, Japan  
Landskrona Fotofestival 2014, Landskrona, Sweden  
Photography will be, Aichi Prefectural Museum of Art, Nagoya, Japan  
VIVID MEMORIES, Fondation Cartier pour l'art contemporain, Paris, France

2013

Exhibition of the 29th Higashikawa Award Winners, Higashikawa Bunka Gallery, Hokkaido, Japan  
The Aesthetics of Photography - Five Elements Collection Exhibition 2013, Tokyo Metropolitan Museum of Photography, Tokyo, Japan  
Fotografia Europea, Reggio Emilia, Italy

2012

Daegu Photo Biennale 2012, Daegu, Korea  
Deutsche Börse Photography Prize 2012, The Photographers' Gallery, London, England  
To Wander a Garden, The Vangi Sculpture Garden Museum, Shizuoka, Japan  
Visible / Invisible, Toyota Municipal Museum of Art, Aichi, Japan 2011  
FotoGrafia - Festival Internazionale di Roma, Rome, Italy  
Fotofestival Mannheim Ludwigshafen Heidelberg, Mannheim, Germany  
Le Mois de la Photo à Montréal, Montréal, Canada  
Colloquy and Soliloquy, Mountain Fold Gallery, New York, USA  
Bye Bye Kitty!!! Between Heaven and Hell in Contemporary Japanese Art curated by David Elliott, Society, New York, USA

2010

The 6th Lianzhou Photography Festival, Lianzhou, China  
Brighton Photo Biennial 2010 New Documents curated by Martin Parr, Brighton, UK  
Summer Loves, Huis Marseille, Amsterdam, The Netherlands  
Kassel Fotobook Festival 2010, Documenta Halle, Kassel, Germany

2009

Touch the World Borderless, Art Museum NO-MA, Shiga, Shiga  
Photography Now China, Japan, Korea San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco, USA  
Parrworld, Jeu de Paume, Paris; BALTIC Centre for Contemporary Art, Gateshead, UK  
FotoGrafia Festival International in Roma Palazzo delle Esposizioni, Rome, Italy  
Verdure! New Acquisitions and Related Works of the Collection, Toyota Municipal Museum of Art, Aichi, Japan

2008

Blooming: Brazil-Japan Where You Are, Toyota Municipal Museum of Art, Aichi, Japan Parrworld, Haus der Kunst, Munich, Germany

2007

Curator's Choice '07: Museum Dialogues, Tokyo Metropolitan Museum of Photography, Tokyo, Japan

2006

A to Z by Yoshitomo Nara + graf, Yoshii Brick House, Aomori, Japan PHotoEspaña 2006, Madrid, Spain

Collection of the Foundation Cartier pour l'art Contemporain, Museum Contemporary Art, Tokyo, Japan

Whisper not!, Huis Marseille, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

2004

Lonely Planet, Art Tower Mito Contemporary Art Center, Mito, Japan AILA

& UTATANE, Recontres d'Arles Photographie, France

2003

Love Planet, The 41st Okayama City Arts Festival Program, Okayama, Japan

HOPE, Laforet Museum, Tokyo, Japan

OIL, Litte More Gallery, Tokyo, Japan

2002

Kimura Iehei Award Winners Exhibition Minolta, Photo Space Shinjuku, Tokyo, Japan

2000

Hinata Kanata, Landmark Tower Gallery, Kanagawa, Japan

#### Awards:

2023 Outstanding Contribution to Photography, Sony World Photography Award

2013 The 29th Higashikawa Award, Domestic Photographer Award

Art Encourage Prize for New Artist from the Ministry of Education

2012 shortlisted for the Deutsche Börse Photography Prize

2009 ICP 25th Annual Infinity Award, Art Category

2002 Winner of the 27th Kimura Iehei Award

The Photographic Society of Japan, the Rookie of the Year Award

1997 Grand Prix Prize, The Guardian Garden's 9th Hitotsubo Award

#### Collections:

The Vangi Sculpture Garden Museum

Shizuoka (Japan) Toyota Municipal Museum of Art

Aichi (Japan) Tokyo Metropolitan Museum of Photography

Tokyo Foundation Cartier pour l'art Contemporain

Paris Huis Marseille

Amsterdam Museu de Arte Moderna de São Paulo

São Paulo San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco